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The aim of this research is to study the development of administration and the political roles of sub-district headmen and village headmen in Bangkok, based on the hypothesis that the roles of sub-district and village headmen have tremendously changed. Their role in administration has become less prominent while their political role has become more forceful.

The studying method employed is survey research. Data was collected from the survey population, 727 sub-district and village headmen in Bangkok. Specific sampling was done on 350 headmen in August, 1996 from whom 260 questionnaires were returned.

The findings are that economic and political changes have resulted in the changing of the roles of these headmen. On the whole, sub-district and village headmen have shown less forceful role in administration but vice versa in politics. Besides, it is also found that sub-district and village headmen have kept up their status by pursuing some substantial businesses such as being land brokers or co-ordinators in local business investments.

Based on analysis of the statistics to establish the relationship between the background and the roles of these sub-district and village, headmen in the city are no different from those of the headmen in the rural areas. However, the level of education and careers of sub-district and village headmen are seen as significantly related to their administrative and political roles.

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